

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST  
FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

In response to the Office Action mailed 3 August 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION - none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS – none.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 6.